

Senate Resolution 1373

By: Senators Powell of the 23rd and Davis of the 22nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Jerry B. Dye on the occasion of his retirement; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Jerry B. Dye has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
4 vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare
5 of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, this dedicated public servant has diligently and conscientiously devoted nearly
7 four decades of his time, talents, and energy to improving the lives of his neighbors as
8 attorney for the Development Authority of Richmond County since the organization was
9 established; and

10 WHEREAS, a graduate of the Academy of Richmond County, Mr. Dye was a Distinguished
11 Military Graduate from North Georgia College, earned a law degree from Mercer University
12 Law School, and was admitted to the Georgia Bar in 1961; and

13 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty in the United States
14 Army for two years as a first lieutenant and was stationed at Fort Gordon; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Dye began his legal career in 1964 with the Augusta law firm of Governor
16 Carl E. Sanders and has been a solo practitioner since 1978; and

17 WHEREAS, he has been united in love and marriage for 50 wonderful years to his wife,
18 Jane, and has been blessed with three remarkable children, Lynn, Laura, and Jerry, Jr.; and
19 six wonderful grandchildren, Taylor, Rebecca, William, Anne, Marcus, and Mary; and

20 WHEREAS, his service for the last 38 years as attorney for the Development Authority of
21 Augusta has provided Augusta-Richmond County with legal advice and support for the
22 issuance of over \$1 billion of investment; and

23 WHEREAS, he is a long-time member of the Augusta Bar and the American Bar
24 Association, serves on the board of directors of the Wheeler Road Executive Center, and was
25 a founding and governing board member of Westlake Country Club; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Dye was instrumental in the development of Westlake Subdivision and
27 other subdivisions throughout Columbia County; and

28 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
29 and diplomacy, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state have earned him
30 the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

31 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
32 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
34 commend Mr. Jerry B. Dye for his nearly four decades of outstanding, efficient, and effective
35 service to Richmond County, congratulate him on his retirement, and extend to him sincere
36 best wishes for the future.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
38 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Jerry B. Dye.